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SUBJECT: RICARDO PARRALES NAMED DIRECTOR NATIONAL PLANNING
OFFICE

1. ON JANUARY 29 RICARDO PARRALES SANCHEZ, RECENTLY
RETURNED FROM LONDON, WHERE HE WAS AMBASSADOR, WAS SWORN
IN AS HEAD OF THE NEWLY CREATED NATIONAL PLANNING OFFICE.
ORIGINALLY PROPOSED AS A SUPER-AGENCY IN CHARGE OF ALL
ECONOMIC PLANNING, THE ROLE AND AUTHORITY OF THE OFFICE
WAS REDUCED WHEN AUTHORIZATION LEGISLATION PASSED THROUGH
THE CONGRESS.

2. THE APPOINTMENT CAME AS A SURPRISE AS WIDELY ACCEPTED
RUMOR HAD PARRALES SLATED TO BECOME MINISTER OF ECONOMY,
AFTER SERVING A BRIEF PERIOD AS VICE MINISTER. IT HAD BEEN
RUMORED THAT INCUMBENT MINISTER OF ECONOMY, JUAN JOSE
MARTINEZ, WAS ON HIS WAY OUT, PROBABLY TO THE PLANNING OB.

3. AMERICAN-EDUCATED, PARRALES HAS A REPUTATION AS A
COMPETENT ECONOMIST AND IS REPORTEDLY HIGHLY REGARDED
BY PRESIDENT SOMOZA. HIS NATIONAL PLANNING OFFICE WILL
BE THE WORKING ARM OF THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL COMMISSION
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FOR PLANNING, HEADED BY SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT

CARLOS DUBON. IT COULD BECOME IN EFFECT, PART OF A
PRESIDENTIAL SECRETARIAT REPORTING TO DUBON ON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MATTERS.
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